

**§ 87.47 Application for a portable aircraft station license.**

A person may apply for a portable aircraft radio station license if the need exists to operate the same station on more than one U.S. aircraft.

**§ 87.51 Aircraft earth station commissioning.**

(a) Aircraft earth stations which require commissioning to use a privately owned satellite system must submit FCC Form 404 to the Commission before transmitting on any satellite frequency bands allocated for aeronautical mobile-satellite communications.

(b) Aircraft earth stations authorized to operate in the Inmarsat space segment must display the Commission license together with the commissioning certificate issued by Inmarsat. Notwithstanding the requirements of this paragraph, aircraft earth stations may operate in the Inmarsat space segment without an Inmarsat-issued commissioning certificate if written approval is obtained from Inmarsat in addition to the license from the Commission.

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### Subpart C—Operating Requirements and Procedures

#### OPERATING REQUIREMENTS

**§ 87.69 Maintenance tests.**

The licensee may make routine maintenance tests on equipment other than emergency locator transmitters if there is no interference with the communications of any other station. Procedures for conducting tests on emergency locator transmitters are contained in subpart F.

**§ 87.71 Frequency measurements.**

A licensed operator must measure the operating frequencies of all land-based transmitters at the following times:

- (a) When the transmitter is originally installed;
- (b) When any change or adjustment is made in the transmitter which may affect an operating frequency; or
- (c) When an operating frequency has shifted beyond tolerance.

**§ 87.73 Transmitter adjustments and tests.**

A general radiotelephone operator must directly supervise and be responsible for all transmitter adjustments or tests during installation, servicing or maintenance of a radio station. A general radiotelephone operator must be responsible for the proper functioning of the station equipment.

**§ 87.75 Maintenance of antenna structure marking and control equipment.**

The owner of each antenna structure required to be painted and/or illuminated under the provisions of Section 303(q) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, shall operate and maintain the antenna structure painting and lighting in accordance with part 17 of this chapter. In the event of default by the owner, each licensee or permittee shall be individually responsible for conforming to the requirements pertaining to antenna structure painting and lighting.

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**§ 87.77 Availability for inspections.**

The licensee must make the station and its records available for inspection upon request.

**§ 87.79 Answer to notice of violation.**

(a) Any person who receives an official notice of violation of the Communications Act, any legislative act, executive order, treaty to which the U.S. is a party, terms of a station or operator license, or the Commission's rules must send a written answer, in duplicate, to the office which originated the notice, within 10 days of receipt. If the licensee cannot acknowledge within the allotted period due to unavoidable circumstances, an answer must be given at the earliest practicable date with a satisfactory explanation of the delay.

(b) The answer to each notice must be complete in itself. The answer must contain a full explanation of the incident involved and must give the action taken to prevent a recurrence of the violation. If the notice relates to operator errors, the answer must give the